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April 7, 1981

Mr. Kenneth R. Poulson  
Vice President  
Mining and Exploration  
Brush Wellman, Inc.  
67 West 2950 South  
Salt Lake City, Utah 84115

RE: Topaz Mining Property  
ACT/023/003  
Juab County, Utah

Dear Mr. Poulson:

The Division of Oil, Gas and Mining has reviewed Brush Wellman's revised mining and reclamation plan for its Topaz Mining Property in Juab County and finds that the plan remains in concert with the Utah Mined Land Reclamation Act. As you know, tentative approval for this operation was issued on March 22, 1977 and the notices of publication were made on April 6 and April 14, 1977 as required to solicit public comment. An environmental assessment was presented to the State Environmental Coordinating Committee for comment and subsequently was signed off on May 16, 1977. It is the Division's opinion that the revised plan does not constitute a significant change in the original filing and that republication is not necessary.

In order that final approval may be granted, a surety must be posted by Brush Wellman to cover the estimated cost of reclamation. As we discussed during our meeting of February 3, 1981, it would be very helpful in estimating the amount of surety for the Division to have additional information regarding the mining sequence and areas to be utilized during five year increments. A color coded surface facilities map should satisfactorily fulfill this request, along with a breakdown of the acreages involved.

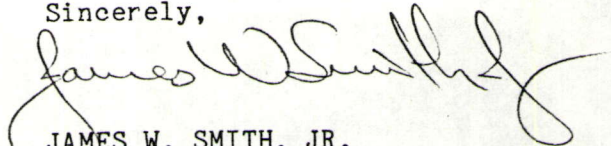


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As soon as we can reach a mutually acceptable amount and form of surety, the Division will present the arrangement to the Board for its approval. Upon receipt of the surety, the Division can issue final approval to Brush Wellman for its Topaz Mining Property.

If you have any question, please call.

Sincerely,



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COORDINATOR OF MINED LAND DEVELOPMENT

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